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RURAL ELECTRIC CONVENIENCE COOPERATIVE,)
CO. and SOYLAND POWER COOPERATIVE, INC.)
Complainant)

vs.)

CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY)
(AMEREN CIPS) Respondent)

AND

FREEMAN UNITED COAL MINING COMPANY)
Intervenor)

vs.)

RURAL ELECTRIC CONVENIENCE COOPERATIVE,)
CO. and SOYLAND POWER COOPERATIVE, INC.)
Counterrespondent)

CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE

DOCKET No. 01-0675

MOTION TO CONTINUE STATUS HEARING

NOW COMES Freeman United Coal Mining Company, by its attorneys, and hereby moves to continue the status hearing now set for May 13, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. and in support thereof states as follows:

1. The Administrative Law Judge has set the above matter for a status conference on May 13, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. While several matters remain to be resolved in this proceeding, Freeman's counsel has received a Notice of Jury Summons to appear before the Circuit Court of Sangamon County on May 13, 2002, at 8:30 a.m. to serve as a prospective juror (see attached Exhibit A).


2. Counsel for Freeman is required to respond and appear pursuant to summons and seeks a continuance of this status hearing in order to comply with the jury summons.

WHEREFORE, Freeman United Coal Mining Company respectfully prays that the status conference be rescheduled at a later date and for such other and further relief as is deemed just.

Respectfully submitted,

FREEMAN UNITED COAL MINING COMPANY

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PROOF OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a copy of the foregoing instrument was served upon of all parties to the above cause by enclosing the same in an envelope addressed to such party at their address as follows:

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